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SAVANNAH, Ga. - The No. 2-ranked and two-time defending NCAA Division II national champion Armstrong Atlantic State University women's tennis team is headed back to the Round of 16 after notching a 5-0 victory over No. 26 Francis Marion on Monday in the Southeast Region #1 Final.

The Pirates (25-1) will next head to Altamonte Springs, Fla., on May 14-17 to take on Midwest #2 Region winner - between Northwood (Mich.) and Wayne State (Mich.) - in the first round of action on Thursday. Francis Marion sees its season come to a close with a 15-7 record.

Armstrong took a quick 3-0 lead after doubles play. The top-ranked doubles duo of **Aleksandra Filipovski** and **Barbora Krtickova** defeated No. 14-ranked Julia Graf and Nora Westbye, 8-2, at No. 1 doubles, while the No. 8-ranked duo of **Marlen Hacke** and **Olga Kalodzitsa** downed Caitlin Siney and Samantha Koellicker, 8-1, at No. 2 doubles. **Clara Perez** and **Carolina Prats-Millan** completed the doubles sweep with an 8-0 win over Savanna Summers and Veronika Viegas at No. 3 doubles.

The Pirates then picked up a pair of 6-0, 6-0 wins to clinch the match and the berth to Altamonte Springs, Fla. Kalodzitsa blanked Summers at No. 6 singles and Prats-Millan downed Viegas at No. 4 singles.

Armstrong makes its 20th straight trip to the NCAA Round of 16, and the Pirates are not only the two-time defending champions but also have won five of the last six NCAA DII Women's Tennis National Championships.



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